

# the ASWA Seattle Journal

January 2013

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January 23, 2013 Dinner Meeting Information

#### Location:

Rainier Golf & Country Club 11133 Des Moines Memorial Drive South Seattle, WA 98168 Dress Policy: No Jeans Please

#### **Agenda:**

5:30-6:30
Social Hour & Networking
6:30-7:30
Dinner & Announcements
7:30
Speaker

8:30

## **January Dinner Meeting:**

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

Speaker: Tina Polf, CPA

Topic: Federal Tax Update
(Or how I learned to love the fiscal cliff)

This session will focus on the most recent American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012. Tina will also mention other useful and interesting updates from earlier in the year.

Tina's mission is "Making Taxes Less Scary", with an emphasis on tax planning and compliance issues for individuals and closely-held businesses. She believes that each person deserves competent tax advice and she works with many types of clients and sizes of businesses. It is important to her that clients be able to ask their questions and not be made to feel stupid for asking. Adjourn

#### Menu:

Entrée: New York Strip

**Steak Medallions** 

Vegetarian Entrée: Grilled Vegetables in a Portabello Mushroom

**Dessert:** New York Cheesecake with Amarena Cherries

#### **Reservation Deadline:**

Please make your reservation no later than 5pm on Thursday, January 17, 2013. NO reservations after the deadline please - we have to give a firm count to catering.

We are charged for all meals reserved, therefore cancellations must be received no later than noon on the Monday before the meeting. No-shows and late cancellations will be billed.

Click here to make your secure reservation online using our new Formstack account

--- If you need to get a message to the Arrangements Committee, 3 options:

1) use the message field in the online res form 2) email:

reservations@aswaseattle.org

3) leave voicemail on the voicemail line at 206-467-8645

--- Save time and \$1 every month - sign up for a STANDING RESERVATION and just go!

## **Quick Links**

**Our Website** 

**Calendar of Events** 

She has been a sole practitioner for more than 20 years. Her ideal client is an established closely-held business and its owners who need more tax planning and business advice than they are currently getting.

Tina is a graduate of Pepperdine University with a B.A. in Speech Communication and took accounting classes at California State University at Dominguez Hills. She is a past-President of the Seattle Chapter of American Society of Women Accountants, past ASWA National Board member and currently serving on the Board of the ASWA Educational Foundation.

She also speaks at technical sessions and industry groups, most recently at the Puget Sound Grantwriters Association. In addition to working with her clients, she also works with SCORE as a presenter to their new business workshops. With a senior financial advisor, she makes presentations to retirees and senior citizen groups about tax issues unique to them. Next month she will be talking about taxes to the Women's University Club.

During her personal time, she is an avid reader and also paint and quilt.

Click here to make your reservation and (New!) to pay online using our secure Formstack account. Also please check out the additional dinner meeting info below.

#### **Announcements**

#### New Member Tea, January 26, 2013

Please help us welcome our new members from 2012 - the New Member Tea is for new members and "seasoned" members from Seattle and Bellevue. 10am on Saturday, January 26th, 2013

This event is for members only, and an RSVP is required. Please check the Evite you recently received and respond if you want to attend!

Volunteers to help set up (Friday night and/or Saturday morning) and for cleanup, will be needed. Finger food suitable for high tea (savory as well as sweet) will be most welcome. Please email tea@aswaseattle.org to volunteer.

#### **Employment Opportunities Newsletter**

One of the greatest member benefits we get from being a member of the Seattle Chapter of ASWA is networking for Employment Opportunities Newsletter

ASWA Volunteer
Opportunities

New Secure Online Reservation Form (using Formstack)

**Contact Us** 

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Join Our Mailing List!

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This will not change your email address with ASWA National.
To change that as well, log in to National's eDirectory at www.aswa.org to edit your profile.

jobhunting. Over the years, many of our members have found a job through ASWA networking. As part of the new website project, we're making changes to the way we advertise job openings.

Carol Eisenhauer, our Employment Chair, does a fantastic job of putting together the Opportunities employment newsletter for the tables at monthly dinner meeting. In the past, the Opportunities newsletter was uploaded to the Members Only section of the website. As part of the website project, the Members Only section is being phased out. Going forward, the link to the Opportunities newsletter on the website will be in this monthly dinner meeting email. The link is in the Quick Links section on the left. Best of luck to our members who are job-hunting - go get 'em!

## Calendar of Events 2013:

January 24 - January Dinner Meeting January 26 - New Member Tea February 27 - February Dinner Meeting, Student Night - Topic: Sue Danbom, topic TBA March 20 - Board Meeting March 27 - March Dinner Meeting

## **Other Dinner Meeting Information:**

Reservations must be made no later than 5pm on Thursday, January 17, 2013. You will receive an acknowledgement when your reservation is received. You can also sign up for the convenience of a Standing Reservation at any time (and save a dollar).

We are charged for all reserved meals, therefore no-shows, which includes anyone with a Standing Reservation, will be billed.

To avoid this, you must cancel your reservation no later than noon the Monday before the dinner meeting by calling 206-467-8645 or by emailing <a href="mailto:reservations@aswaseattle.org">reservations@aswaseattle.org</a>. The complete reservation and cancellation policy is on the online form.